

**Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (previously presented) Method for controlling a fluid balance in an anode circuit of a fuel cell system, comprising:

determining a measured quantity characteristic of an amount of liquid and/or changes in the amount of liquid in the fuel cell system,

adjusting a cooling capacity of a condensing device and/or  
adjusting a volume flow rate on a cathode side in response to the determined measured quantity,

cooling gases discharged on the cathode side in the condensing device in order to obtain a condensed liquid,

feeding the condensed liquid into the anode circuit of the fuel cell system,

mounting a catalytic burner in contact with and at a fuel cell device, and

passing waste gases remaining after cooling the discharged gasses, through the catalytic burner.

2. (canceled)

3. (previously presented) Method according to claim 1, comprising:

heating the waste gases remaining after obtaining the condensed liquid at the  
fuel cell device of the fuel cell system,

passing the heated waste gases through a catalytic burner.

4. (canceled)

5-10. (canceled)